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SUBJECT: DEATH OF FORMER PRIME MINISTER LEFEVRE

- 1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PRIME MINISTER LEBURTON: QTE DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I HAVE LEARNED OF THE DEATH OF FORMER PRIME MINISTER THEO LEFEVRE. HE WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES, AND A EUROPEAN STATESMAN OF THE HIGHEST ORDER. IN RECENT YEARS, HIS PROMINENT ROLE IN PROMOTING U.S.-EUROPEAN COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, NOTABLY IN THE AEROSPACE FIELD, HAS BEEN OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE. PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRIME MINISTER, MY CONDOLENCES ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR GREAT COUNTRYMAN, AND PLEASE EXTEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO HIS FAMILY. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON UNQUOTE
- 2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION SHOULD THE GOB WISH TO DO SO. RUSH

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